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**Acton Economic Development and Industrial Corporation
Call for Directors**

Acton is seeking volunteers for the Board of Directors of the Acton Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (EDIC). Ideal candidates will have successful professional experience in one or more of the following areas: Business, real estate, finance, and law, with an emphasis on the commercial and industrial development sector, and in municipal government. Acton residents are strongly preferred.

Background: Acton established the EDIC in April 2003 under a special Act of the Massachusetts Legislature to seek out and implement economic development opportunities. The EDIC will not compete with business or industry, but would step in where the private sector is unable or unwilling to act consistent with the Town's planning goals.

Chapter 135 sets up a 7-member Board of Directors with at least one director with experience in industrial or commercial development, one in financial matters, one in real estate, and one in municipal government, and at least one director shall be from the community at large. The Selectmen appoint EDIC Directors as special municipal employees to serve in good faith for the interests of the Town. Directors will be subject to the Conflict of Interest Law (M.G.L. Ch. 286A). They will not receive compensation. Appointments will be for staggered three-year terms with initial appointments for one, two, and three years. The Directors' initial tasks will include an Economic Development Plan, a viable EDIC business plan, and identification of seed money and other resources to accomplish these tasks.

Send letters of interest and resumes to the Town of Acton, Economic Development Committee, c/o Planning Department, Town Hall, 472 Main Street, Acton, MA 01720. For question, call Roland Bartl, AICP, Town Planner, 978-264-9636 or write to planning@acton-ma.gov.